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1. In early January 1955, ~~Leiser~~ (first) chief of the Main Administration of Roads made a two-week inspection tour to study possible cuts in the 1955 road construction projects. An allocation of 175,000 eastmarks which was to be spent on rest houses has already been eliminated.
2. The 1954 bridge and highway construction program was fulfilled about 90 percent.
3. All construction bureaus which were previously assigned to the deactivated state secretariat were made subordinate to the individual Bezirk administrations and henceforth conduct all construction work under their orders. <sup>43</sup> Bezirk administrations have also been made responsible for the execution of construction work done by order of the GDR Ministry of the Interior.
4. All monetary allocations for the procurement of new motor vehicles and motorcycles were eliminated from the 1955 investment plan. It was believed that the same was done by other ministries as well except for the Ministry of Health, which is to receive new motor vehicles.
5. The "Deutscher Kraft-Verkehr" agency (German Motor Traffic) (DKV) which is located in Berlin and is directly subordinate to the Main Administration of Motor Traffic will unexpectedly be given 20 new buses in 1955. It was believed that these 20 buses may be used for operations in the event of the sealing off of West Berlin.
6. There was much confusion in office work and the transmission of correspondence to the Ministry of Traffic because the central departments of the former state secretariat were still in operation although they were officially considered as deactivated. The same confusion is said to exist at the former State Secretariat for Shipping and the former Ministry of Railroads.
7. The central departments of the former State Secretariat for Motor Traffic and Roads such as the Labor Department, the Main Security Directorate, the Materials Supply Department, the Departments for Planning, Cadres, and Finance were in process of deactivation. Eight employees of the two Main Administrations have been given notice in order to provide positions for personnel of these central departments. ~~These measures led to a state of confusion among all employees.~~

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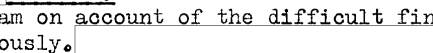
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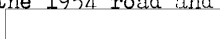
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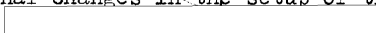
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2.3.  Comment. On 25 November 1954, it was stated that the 1954 road and highway construction program was fulfilled 82.3 percent. 


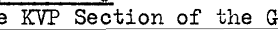
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5.6.  Comment. Such preparations for a possible sealing off of West Berlin were reported as early as 1953.

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